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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office action of August 20, 2004, please amend the above identified application as follows:

In the Claim:

Please withdraw claim 1 through 4 and 11 through 15.

Please amend claim 5 as follows:

5. (Amended) A ring binder with self-closing ring mechanism which is comprised of a opening bar, a holding pin and a retaining spring and/or magnetic at each ring of the binder

Remarks:

- 1) As rejected and objected by your action letter dated August 20, 2004, the claims were withdrawn and amended accordingly.
- 2) Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned as "VERSION WITH MARKING TO SHOW CHANGES MADE."

Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,


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